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1. ON HIS DEPARTURE FROM CAIRO FEB. 26, SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER SVEN ANDERSSON USED OCCASION REITERATE HIS EARLIER PRAISE OF EFFORTS OF SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER TO ACHIEVE MIDEAST SETTLEMENT (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO SWEDISH MFA, ANDERSSON STATED THAT "THE PRESENT EFFORTS OF DR. KISSINGER IN THE AREA DESERVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE GOOD WISHES OF US ALL." THE FOREIGN MNISTER ADDED:

"I AGREE ENTIRELY WITH FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY ON THE IMPORTANCE OF NOT LOSING MOMENTUM IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE. IT WAS VERY ENCOURAGING TO HEAR MR. FAHMY STRESS THE VITAL NECESSITY OF REACHING A POLITICAL SOLUTION." ANDERSSON CONCLUDED THAT HIS VISIT TO CAIRO HAD GIVEN HIM A "STRONG IMPRESSION THAT THERE IS TODAY A MOVEMENT TOWARDS A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

2. ACCORDING TO THE SWEDISH PRESS, ANDERSSON ALSO STATED BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE THAT WHILE THE GOS HAS NO DIRECT CONTACTS WITH THE PLO, THE GOVERNING SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS CONSIDERING THE OPENING UP OF A "DIALOGUE" WITH THAT ORGANIZATION. ANDERSSON ALSO REPORTEDLY STRESSED THAT SWEDEN DOES NOT RPT NOT REGARD THE PLO AS THE "ONLY" REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIANS. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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3. COMMENT: PIERRE SCHORI, ADVISOR TO PRIME MINISTER, HAS INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICER THAT SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY DOES PLAN TO BEGIN DIALOGUE WITH PLO, ADDING THAT PARTY IN NEAR FUTURE INTENDS TO CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF INVITING PLO DELEGATION TO STOCKHOLM. SCHORI EMPHASIZED SOCDEM PARTY, AND NOT GOVERNMENT, WOULD PLAY HOST TO PLO.

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